

**INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property/District Name: Ferndale Baptist Church Survey Number: G-IV-B-122

Project: US 219/Oakland Vicinity Improvement Project Agency: MSHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☐ No ☐ Yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended ☒ X

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

According to a 1991 architectural overview of Garrett County (Ware et al., *Green Glades and Sooty Gob Piles*, Maryland Historical Trust, 1991), most rural churches in the county consist of one-story, rectangular frame structures with little or no ornament. While the Ferndale Church matches this description, several other structures in the county are illustrated in the overview as good, representative examples of late-nineteenth and early-twentieth century small rural churches. In addition, the Ferndale Church's porch does not appear to have been part of the original construction. Probably built shortly after the main church structure, the porch's massing and arched openings are inconsistent with the main structure. Representative examples of rural churches depicted in the 1991 architectural overview do not possess porches. The appending of the porch on the Ferndale Church detracts from its integrity of design and workmanship. The addition of a mobile home northwest of the church also limits the church property's ability to convey its historic appearance, thus lessening its integrity of setting and feeling. As a result the Ferndale Church is recommended not eligible under Criterion C, embodiment of the distinctive characteristics of an architectural style or method of construction.

Although related to a "circuit" of Baptist churches in southern Garrett County during the early-twentieth century, further research has not uncovered additional information about the Ferndale Church's siblings at Deep Creek and Loch Lynn. Despite its association with this broad pattern, this trend did not contribute significantly to the evolution of religion in Garrett County. The Ferndale Church is therefore recommended not eligible under Criterion A, reflections of broad patterns of history. Research has also not identified any relationships with significant persons or events (Criterion B). The Ferndale Church is not likely to yield information useful to the study of history (Criterion D).

Document on the property/district is presented in: Historic Structures Inventory and Determination of Eligibility Report

(KCI/MSHA 1997)

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Stuart Dixon
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

11/19/98
Date

NR program concurrence: ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ not applicable

Reviewer, NR program

Date

Addendum Sheet

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Ferndale Baptist Church
Oakland vicinity
Garrett County

Preparer: Stuart Paul Dixon
Date Prepared: April 3, 1997

A survey undertaken in January of 1997 revealed that some inaccurate information was included with the survey form data completed for the Ferndale Baptist Church in 1981. The 1981 survey form described a brick stove-chimney pile rising along the church's southwest elevation. The current pile is composed of concrete block and appears as such in photo documentation accompanying the 1981 form. In the intervening years a mobile trailer home has been placed on the church property to the northwest of the church building. Otherwise the property does not appear substantially changed from the 1981 survey form.

Recent research has uncovered supplementary historical data concerning the Ferndale Church. Deed records indicate that the property containing the church was transferred to the Ferndale Baptist Church trustees in 1908. Serving the surrounding agricultural community, the Ferndale church functioned similarly to a chapel of ease with pastors ministering to a circuit of rural churches in southern Garrett County. The Ferndale Church's pastor also preached at churches in Deep Creek and Loch Lynn (Raymond I. McCrobie, "Ferndale Baptist Church," *The Glades Star* 7 [June 1993]:178, 189-90).

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ca. 1880

Ferndale Baptist Church
Private
Deer Park vic.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Ferndale Baptist Church

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 219S, W. side, at intersection with King's Run Road

CITY, TOWN

Deer Park

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☒ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Ferndale Baptist Church

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ferndale Baptist Church is located on the west side of Rt. 219S at the intersection of King's Run Road. The church fronts directly on the highway and is backed by woods. A small cemetery lies just to the southwest of the church.

The church is a one-story, gable-roofed structure with a gable-end facade. The church measures one bay by three bays and the facade, which points SE, is covered by a gable-roofed porch. On the northwest gable end is a projecting gabled apse.

The church rests on a low coursed stone foundation and is covered with white German siding. The windows are 2/2 sash lancets, each with a third diamond-shaped pane at the point of the lancet. The windows have very simple wood mouldings and plain board surrounds. The facade door is double; each door has five panels, and above the doors is a lancet transom. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles and the box cornice returns on the gable ends.

The church has one exterior brick stove chimney on the southwest elevation. The facade porch roof has exposed rafter ends. The porch itself is partially enclosed with German siding.

The interior consists of one room with plastered walls and dark woodwork. At the northwest or "East" end is a dais with an altar rail and a lectern.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES	ca. 1880	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	unknown
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small church is typical of many small churches of the late 19th and early 20th centuries in Garrett County. This church is unusually well preserved and, in fact, may present an almost original appearance.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ann Burns, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

September 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

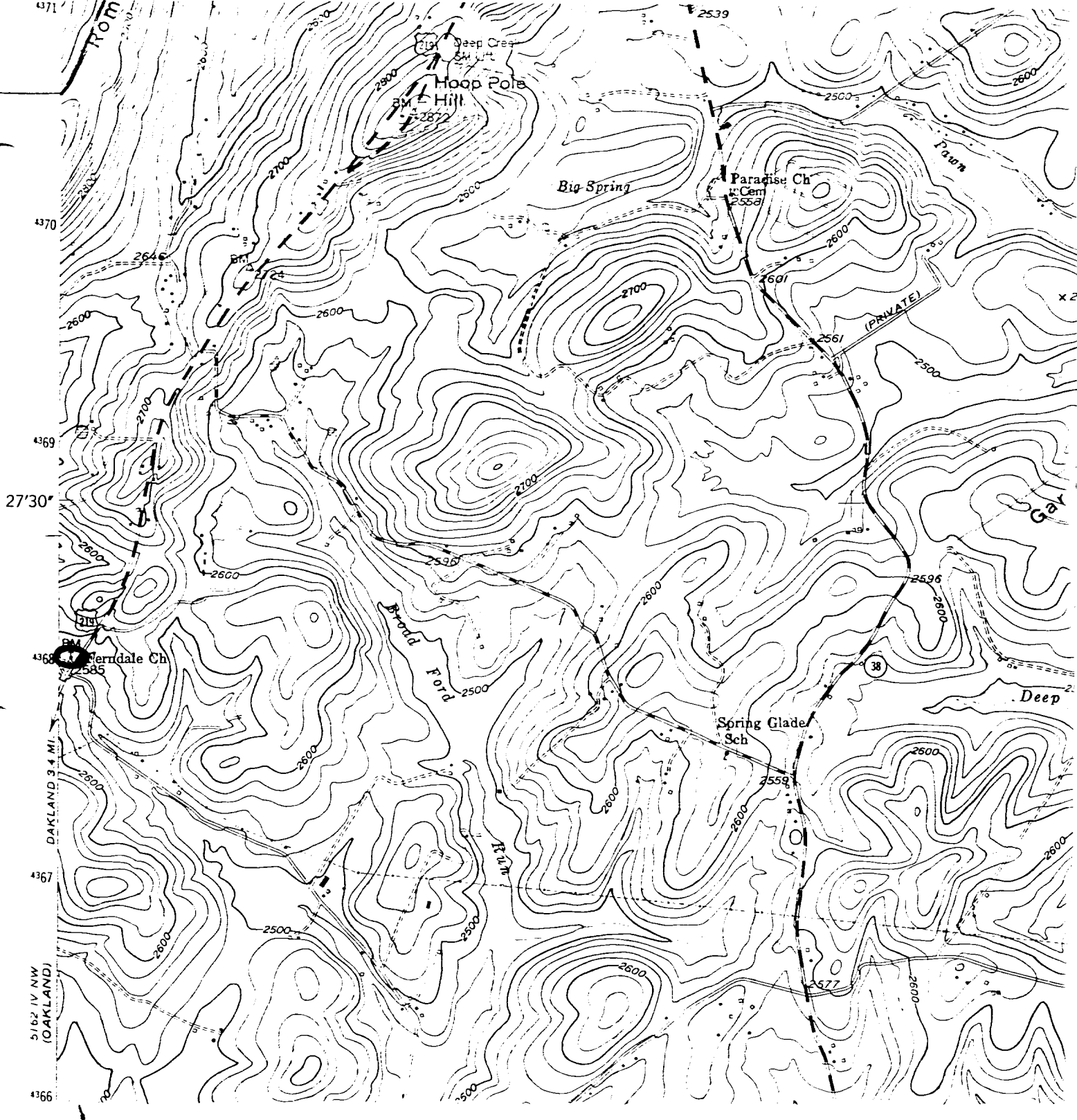
STATE

Maryland 21401

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Deer Park, MD
 USGS 7.5 minute series
 Scale - 1:24,000
 1948; photorevised 1974

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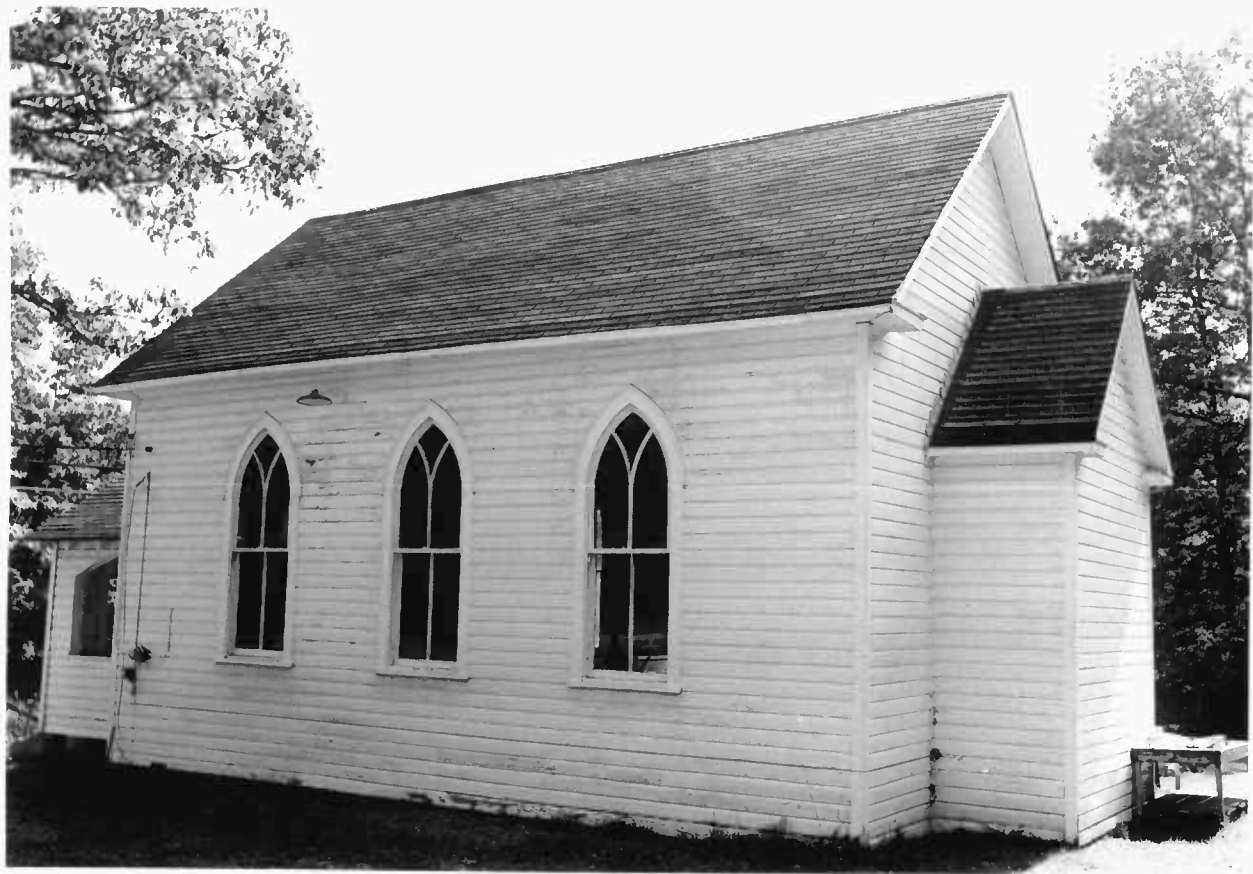
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SW elev; Fac.-SE elev.



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NE & NW elevs.